

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-6. (Cancelled)

7. (New) An apparatus for flexible installation of an optical patch cable in a telecommunication station between equipment in the station, said apparatus comprising: a micro duct for guidance of the patch cable, the duct having duct end openings related to the equipment, the end openings being adapted to receive the patch cable for insertion into the micro duct.

8. (New) The apparatus recited in claim 7, further comprising:
means for feeding the patch cable through the duct;
means for adjusting the patch cable length between the equipment; and,
means for assembling a connector to at least one end of the patch cable.

9. (New) The apparatus recited in claim 7, wherein the duct comprises spliced duct parts.

10. (New) The apparatus recited in claim 7, wherein the duct comprises more than two end openings.

11. (New) A method for flexible installation of an optical patch cable in a telecommunication station between equipment in the station, said method comprising the steps of:

installing a micro duct in the telecommunication station, the duct being installed with duct end openings related to the equipment;

inserting a patch cable into the micro duct through one of the end openings;

feeding the patch cable through the duct and through another one of the end openings;

adjusting the patch cable length between the equipment; and,
assembling a connector to at least one end of the patch cable.

12. (New) The method recited in claim 11, wherein the duct is guided through a cabinet wall entrance in the telecommunication station.

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